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CHARITON COUNTY

**REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE,**

Keytesville, Missouri.

Will buy and sell or exchange lands for parties on the most reasonable terms, and will furnish reliable information as to the location, improvements and quality of any tract of land in the county. We now have the following lands listed for sale, and can give you some good bargains:

- 1-185 acres, 6-2 miles northwest of Keytesville; well improved and in high state of cultivation; good dwelling and all necessary outbuildings; good orchard of 70 trees. Plenty of good water for all purposes; convenient to church, school-house and post-office.
- 2-40 acres, 2 miles south of Indian Grove; good buildings and fence; orchard of 40 trees, all in a high state of cultivation; frame barn, 30 x 40 feet, first perfect. Will be sold at a bargain.
- 3-400 acres, 8 miles south of Marcelline; one of the finest stock farms in Chariton county; large dwelling and stock barn, 200 x 100 in cultivation; balance in blue grass pasture and timber; stream running across east and west portion. Post-office on part of the farm. Will be sold at 50 per acre; time given on part of the purchase money.
- 4-30 acres of good timber land, 3 miles northwest of Muscogee; plenty of good timber on this tract; will be sold cheap.
- 5-30-acre farm, 7 miles northwest of Keytesville; 30 acres in cultivation; 20 acres timber. Good comfortable dwelling and all necessary outbuildings; convenient to school-house, post-office and church. Will be sold at a bargain.
- 6-50 acres, 7 miles northwest of Keytesville; well improved, new dwelling and good barn; all in cultivation; well fenced; time given on part of the purchase money.
- 7-50 acres, 5 miles southwest of Sallabury; good dwelling; all necessary outbuildings; well supplied with water, fine pasture; orchard; will be sold at a bargain.
- 8-20 acres, 2-1/2 miles north-west of Keytesville; orchard of 60 trees, good dwelling and barn; good water; all enclosed with good substantial fence; most all in grass; about 2 acres of timber; price, \$20 per acre, cash.
- 9-100 acres, 1-2 miles east of Mendon. Good house; good barn and plenty of water. This is one of the best farms in Chariton county. Easy terms.
- 10-21 acres, 2-1/2 miles southwest of Mendon, a first-class farm with a new two-story dwelling with six rooms, large frame barn 32 x 44 feet and all necessary outbuildings. The improvements are all new and complete. Nice young orchard of 100 trees and all kinds of small fruit. Three good living wells and one wind mill, 100 acres in cultivation, balance of farm in grass. To be sold at once. This is a bargain.
- 11-30 acres, 3 miles northwest of Keytesville; 25 acres in cultivation; balance in pasture; good 3 room dwelling; barn 32 x 20 feet and all other necessary outbuildings. Nice young orchard of over 100 trees; plenty of living water. To be sold at a bargain; time given on part of the purchase money.
- 12-100-acre farm 8 miles north of Sallabury, Mo., 300 acres in cultivation and fenced with the improved wire fencing and has been in cultivation only three years. There are 100 acres of timber land on this tract. This body of land will be sold at a bargain. If you want a good farm call at once and get first chance at it.
- 13-120 acres, 2 miles southeast of Proctor Hill and 9 miles northeast of Sallabury; well improved; good 2-story dwelling-house, with 6 rooms, 2 baths, comparatively new; large frame barn 30 x 50 feet; about 100 acres in cultivation and 10 acres in pasture; orchard of about 2 acres; fenced all in good repair. Very desirable property and is a bargain. Plenty good running water. This farm goes at \$20 per acre.

Your Patronage is Respectfully Solicited.  
Call and See Us. Office in Court-house.

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view it with open-eyed surprise and purchase with inward satisfaction.



It shimmers with beauty.

**KEATING Bicycle.**

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**50 lbs. of Coal**

A day would keep your rooms warm in winter. But that small stove will burn only twenty-five. Hence, discomfort and misery.

A certain amount of fat, burned daily, would keep your body warm and healthy. But your digestion is bad, and you don't get it from ordinary food. Hence you are chilly, you catch cold easily, you have coughs and shivers; while pneumonia, bronchitis, or consumption finds you with no resistive power.

Do this. Burn better fuel. Use **SCOTT'S EMULSION** of Cod-liver Oil. Appetite and digestive power will revive; and soon a warm coating of good flesh will protect the vital organs against the cold and the body against disease.

Two sizes, 50 cts. and \$1.00. Book free for the asking. **SCOTT & BOWNE, New York.**

"Poor Lot's wife turned to salt, alas! Her fate was most unkind; No doubt she only wished to see How hung her skirt behind."

**Swamp-Root.**  
You can get Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great Kidney, Liver and Bladder remedy, at J. A. Egan's City Drug Store. They are sole agents for Keytesville. MEDIUM SIZE, 50c. LARGE SIZE, \$1.00

"Oh, many a shaft at random sent, Finds mark the archer never meant, And many a word at random spoken May soothe or wound the heart that's broken."

**Bucklin's Arnica Salve.**  
THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by W. C. Gaston.

"A little bit of patience often makes the sunshine come, And a little bit of love makes a very nappy home; A little bit of hope makes a rainy day look gay, And a little bit of charity makes glad a weary way."

**Old People.**  
Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in **Electric Bitters**. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey nor other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alterative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding nature in the performance of the functions. **Electric Bitters** is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents and \$1 per bottle at W. C. Gaston's drug store.

**Hood's Pills**

Restore full, regular action of the bowels, do not irritate or inflame, but leave all the delicate digestive organs in perfect condition. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

"Well, Scribbs has proved himself a genius after all."  
"What has he done?"  
"Quit writing poetry and opened a candy shop next to a school-house."

**FREE MENSTRUAL REFERENCE BOOK.**  
[Sixty-four pages] for men and women who are afflicted with any form of private disease, peculiar to their sex, errors of youth, constitutional diseases, female troubles, etc., etc. Send two 1-cent stamps, to pay postage, to the leading specialists and physicians in this country. **DR. HATHAWAY & CO.,**  
174 Dearborn St., Cor. Randolph, Chicago, Ill.

**Her Ridiculous Error.**  
"Woman came in and asked me for consummated lye," said the grocer's new boy with a grin.  
"You didn't try to correct her, did you?" asked the grocer.  
"Me? Naw, I'm onto my job better than that. I just handed her a box of consecrated lye and didn't say a word."

ARIZONA convicts have been leased for 10 years at 70 cents each a day, their labor to be utilized in constructing an irrigating canal that will make productive 100,000 acres of arable land.

**Humilies.**

When in doubt don't talk.  
Every man makes a failure of his love affairs.

Unless the heart first gives, what the hand bestows is not a gift.

Nearly every woman knows a man who is the slowest man on earth.

A man is hopelessly dull when he doesn't know when he is being made fun of.

More people may rejoice that they don't get what they deserve instead of complaining.

When a sick man calls for tobacco he is getting better. It is as sure a sign as being cross.

Don't hold a man responsible for his fool kin. You may have troubles of that kind of your own.

A man's first great humiliation is when he candidly admits to himself that he can't do certain things that he wants to.

There is nothing you can do that will finally afford you more satisfaction than keeping your troubles to yourself. The trouble people have is an awful chestnut.

**Something to Depend On.**

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all, she began to get better from the first dose, and half a dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottles at W. C. Gaston's drug store.

**A Pin in the Heart.**

The old-time idea that the slightest touch of a foreign substance on the heart means certain death was shattered years ago. One of the most remarkable cases ever heard of, however, was that described in a paper read before the Association of American Physicians some years ago by Dr. Peabody. It was of a case where a pin was found in a human heart after having been there for an indefinite period. The point of the pin was distant about five millimeters from the external surface of the heart. The pin seemed eroded, and was broken by the scissors in dissection without becoming displaced. There was no evidence of recent local inflammation, but that part of the heart in the neighborhood of the protruding head of the pin was greatly thickened and snow-white and firmly adherent to the edge.

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ONE GIVES RELIEF.

The modern standard Family Medicine: Cures the common every-day ills of humanity.

TRADE MARK

**Married After Forty Years.**

E. W. Cooter, of Columbus, Kas., was married to Mrs. Phoebe Haley, of Trenton, Mo. Each of the contracting parties has passed the three-score mile post of life, and the marriage is the culmination of a courtship begun more than forty years ago.—*Chillicothe Mail and Star.*

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For Infants and Children.

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THE seven Bibles of the world are the Koran, of the Mohammedans, the Tri Pitakes of the Buddhists, the Five Kings of the Chinese, the three Vedas of the Hindus, the Zendavesta of the Persians, the Eddas of the Scandinavians, and the Scriptures of the Christians.

**For Catarrh May-fever Cold in Head**

**ELY'S CREAM BALM** is a positive cure. Apply into the nostrils. It is quickly absorbed. 50 cents at drug stores or by mail; samples 10c. by mail. **ELY BROTHERS, 56 Warren St., New York City.**

**A Smooth Man.**

R. W. Walker, a man about 35 years old, claiming Camp Point, Ill., as his home, is in jail here to await the action of the grand jury next April on the charge of obtaining \$100 from Henry C. Sheetz, of Macon county. Walker claimed to be an agent of the New York Mutual Life Insurance Co., and had been to see Mr. Sheetz several times about taking out a policy, the agent agreeing to give Mr. Sheetz a \$2,000 paid-up policy for \$100. It was arranged that the agent was to meet Mr. Sheetz at Clarence last Wednesday. They met as agreed and Mr. Sheetz paid the agent \$100 and the agent gave Mr. Sheetz what he said was a \$2,000 paid up policy, the agent, however, requesting Mr. Sheetz not to say anything about the matter nor show the policy to any one, as he had made the rate very much lower than he should have done. Mr. Sheetz, however, thought he had a good thing and showed the policy to a friend at Clarence, and stated that he had paid only \$100 for it. The friend at once suggested that the agent was a fraud, which caused Mr. Sheetz to make further inquiry, and all he talked to told him the price paid was too cheap and the agent certainly was a fraud. Mr. Sheetz finally had a talk with Lon Combs, who has a policy in the same insurance company, and by comparing the two policies they were found to be altogether different, and Mr. Combs advised Mr. Sheetz to have the agent arrested, which was at once done. His preliminary trial took place at Clarence on Dec. 31, and \$96 of the \$100 paid by Mr. Sheetz was recovered. It is also reported that the same man went down in Jefferson township and represented himself to be an agent of the new Farmers Insurance Co., of this county. He wrote out a policy for some man, taking a note for \$9 as pay. Later the agent sold the note for \$6 to a Mr. Daniels, near Enterprise. It is quite probable, however, that the agent is going under an assumed name. His home may be at Camp Point and it may not. The policies he used were printed at Shelby on his order.—*Shelby County Herald.*

This junketing committee appointed by Governor Stone to visit the educational and eleemosynary institutions of the state will soon make their report to the general assembly. The committee is composed of Senator McClintic, of Marion, Representatives Lee, of Carter county, and Johnson, of St. Louis. In advance of their report it has leaked out that the committee will recommend some very important changes in the management of some of the state institutions. The first recommendation is to abolish the Industrial School for Girls at Chillicothe, for the reason that there are but few girls confined there for crime, most of the 84 inmates being orphans, who are apprenticed to the institution, and that it is unwise to have these associated with the criminal classes. It is also reported that the committee will recommend that the School of Mines at Rolla and all the Normal schools be abolished, and give the buildings to the counties in which they are situated, and that the appropriations heretofore made for those schools be applied to the maintenance of the state university. The committee will also recommend the building of another insane asylum at some point in Southeast Missouri, for the reason that the three asylums we now have are filled to overflowing. Whether it is true that such recommendations will be incorporated in the commissioners' report, and if so how the legislature will dispose of them, remains to be seen.

A decoction of cinnamon is recommended as a drink to be taken freely in localities where there is typhoid fever or cholera, for cinnamon has the power to destroy all infectious microbes. Even its scent kills them.

**EVERYBODY OFF FOR RAGGED TOP.**

All Roads to the Gold Strikes Thronged With Vehicles.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Dec. 31.—The excitement at Ragged Top is increasing daily, as new discoveries of rich strikes are made at Portland.

Where the roads from Deadwood and Lead meet the sight is peculiar.

The highway is thronged with vehicles of every description. Men on foot and horseback and pack animals from Wyoming and Colorado are going to the famous camp or returning filled with enthusiasm over the outlook. Vehicles loaded with all kinds of supplies are constantly going from adjoining camps. Half of the business men are at Ragged Top looking up sites for business and erecting buildings. At the camp all is excitement and bustle. Lots in Balmoral and Preston command high prices and are selling rapidly. Everybody is headed for Ragged Top.—*Chicago Times-Herald*, January 1st, 1897.

**Minnesota's Vastness.**

In Minnesota and the two Dakotas there are areas of more than 200 square miles with a population of only eight to the square mile. Speaking of Minnesota, the *Minneapolis Tribune* says: "Minnesota alone is larger than all New England, and a much larger proportion of the land is tillable. Of the 53,450,000 acres in this state, only 5,000,000 are now cultivated.

If peopled as densely as Ohio, Minnesota alone would have a population of 7,500,000. There are said to be a million lakes in Minnesota, and these are fed or drained by innumerable streams, not to mention the mighty Mississippi on the east, the Red river of the North on the west, the Rainy lake water courses on the north, and their great tributaries, which, together, penetrate nearly every section of our vast territory."

**Fits Cured**

From U.S. Journal of Medicine Prof. W. E. Peck, who makes a specialty of Epilepsy, has without doubt treated and cured more cases than any living Physician; his success is attested by the thousands of cured cases which he sends with a large bottle of his absolute cure, free to any sufferers who may send their P. O. and Express address. We advise any one wishing a cure to address **Prof. W. E. PECK, P. O. Box 4, Cedar St., New York.**

**Fuel and the Speed of Ships.**

Although the Britannia in 1840 needed only 570 tons of coal to carry her across the Atlantic, and the Campania burns 2,900 tons, yet the cargo space has grown from 224 tons to 1,720 tons, the passenger accommodation from 115 to 1,700, the indicated horse power from 710 to 30,000, the pressure from 9 to the square inch to 175 pound, and the coal consumption per indicated horse power has fallen from 5.1 pound to 1.5 pound, the speed rising from 8.5 knots to 22. Theoretically, 1 pound of coal ought to do the work it now needs 1.2 pounds to effect. There seem to be latent here at least a couple of knots more speed, as practice draws nearer to the perfection of theory.

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The celebrated John Randolph met a personal enemy in the street one day who refused to give him half the sidewalk, saying that he never turned out for a rascal. "I do," said Randolph, stepping aside and politely raising his hat, "pass on."

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"By Jove!" said a country squire, who had got the worst of an argument with Sydney Smith, "if I had a son who was a donkey, I'd make a parson of him straight away." "Possibly" returned the wit, "but your father was evidently of a different mind."

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In the midst of a battle the general saw a man running from a very close situation. "What are you running for?" demanded the disgusted general in a stern voice. "Sure, general," said the fugitive, "I'm running because I can't fly."